



City of Warner Robins  
City Council Meeting  
Minutes

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Monday, October 17, 2016

5:30 PM

Council Chambers

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**Regular Meeting of Warner Robins City Council**

**Presiding:** Mayor Randy Toms

**City Officials Present:**

Councilwoman Carolyn Robbins  
Councilman Chuck Shaheen  
Councilman Keith Lauritsen

Councilman Tim Thomas  
Councilman Clifford Holmes  
Councilman Mike Davis

**Opening Prayer:** Councilman Davis

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Councilwoman Robbins

**Call to Order:** 5:30 p.m.

**Adoption of the Agenda:** Councilman Holmes moved to adopt the agenda. Councilman Thomas seconds the motion. Councilwoman Robbins, Councilman Davis, Holmes, Lauritsen, Shaheen and Thomas voted for adoption of the agenda.

**Proclamations/Awards/Presentations:**

- Mayor Toms read a proclamation proclaiming that October 24, 2016 as "United Nations Day in the International City of Warner Robins", and he recognized the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority through it local chapter Sigma Epsilon Omega Chapter in Warner Robins/Houston County, Ga in partnership with Gamma Pi Omega in Fort Valley/Peach County, Ga.

**Action Items:**

Action Item 1	Presentation of Minutes.
The minutes of the last regular meeting held on October 03, 2016 were presented.	
Motion:	Councilman Holmes moved to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of October 03, 2016.
Second:	Councilman Thomas.
Outcome:	Councilwoman Robbins, Councilman Davis, Holmes, Lauritsen, Shaheen and Thomas voted for approval.

Action Item 2 Purchasing Bids.	
Purchasing Bid List items, attached hereto, were presented for approval.	
Motion:	Councilman Lauritsen moved to approve the bid list items one through nine, as presented.
Second:	Councilwoman Robbins.
Outcome:	Councilwoman Robbins, Councilman Davis, Holmes, Lauritsen, Shaheen and Thomas voted for approval.

Action Item 3 Appointments – CDBG Funding Review Committee	
<p>The following individuals have been recommended by the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Coordinator for appointment to the CDBG Funding Review Committee:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Reappointments: Nancy Newell, Kathy Hart &amp; Carolyn Mitchell;</li><li>• New appointments, replacing Marc Whitfield and Holly Gross: Lydia Humphrey &amp; Cathy Silengo.</li></ul>	
Motion:	Councilman Shaheen moved to approve these appointments to the CDBG Funding Review Committee.
Second:	Councilman Lauritsen.
Outcome:	Councilwoman Robbins, Councilman Davis, Holmes, Lauritsen, Shaheen and Thomas voted for approval.



Action Item 4	Resolution – Use of Visitor’s Center Hotel/Motel Tax Funds.
<p>A resolution of the Mayor and Council of the City of Warner Robins designating that the accumulated lodging tax funds of approximately \$1.77 million earmarked for a “visitor center” be spent as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• \$450,000 shall be reimbursed to 2012 SPLOST fund, account number 3401 54101 City Hall/Civic Center, for the property located at 610-A Watson Boulevard to be used as a visitors’ center;</li> <li>• \$700,000 shall be used for the renovation of the 610-A Watson Boulevard visitors’ center; and</li> <li>• The remaining approximately \$620,000 is designated for construction of a visitors’ center in the vicinity of I-75.</li> </ul> <p>And, be it further resolved that the \$450,000.00 reimbursement to the 2012 SPLOST fund be transfer from 2012 SPLOST project category “General Capital Obligation”, account number 3401 54101 City Hall/Civic Center, to project category “Recreation Facilities &amp; Equipment”, account number 3432 54101 Vietnam Veterans Park, and be earmarked specifically for the construction of a Vietnam Veterans’ park adjacent to the I-75 visitors’ center.</p>	
Motion:	Councilman Thomas moved to approve this resolution.
Second:	Councilman Holmes.
Outcome:	Councilwoman Robbins, Councilman Davis, Holmes, Lauritsen, Shaheen and Thomas voted for approval.

Action Item 5	Ordinance # 28-16 – Supplemental Budget Appropriation/Recreation Projects.
<p>Ordinance # 28-16 adopting a supplemental Budget Appropriation of two million five hundred thousand dollars (\$2,500,000) to be taken from the Unassigned General Fund’s Fund Balance for the purpose of recreational projects, and that these funds shall be placed in <b>Parks &amp; Playgrounds</b>, account number <b>6122 54130</b>.</p>	
Motion:	Councilman Davis presented Ordinance # 28-16, moved to waive the second reading of Ordinance # 28-16 and moved for adoption of Ordinance # 28-16.
Second:	Councilman Holmes seconds both motions.
Outcome:	Councilwoman Robbins, Councilman Davis, Holmes, Lauritsen, Shaheen and Thomas voted for approval.



Action Item 6	Ordinance # 29-16 – <b>Annexation</b> /2972 Hwy 247, 2.623 acres; <b>Zoning Approval</b> – C-2 (General Commercial District).
	Ordinance # 29-16 of the Mayor and Council of the City of Warner Robins, Georgia, annexing property located at 2972 HWY 247 Connector, Byron, Georgia, consisting of all that tract or parcel of land situate, lying and being in Land Lots 36 and 37 of the Fifth Land District of Peach County, Georgia, being known and designated as that certain tract of land containing 2.623 acres more or less, per a petition from HEFNER HOLDINGS, LLC ; and, a petition for zoning of said tract as C-2 (General Commercial District).
Motion:	Councilwoman Robbins presented Ordinance # 29-16, moved to waive the second reading of Ordinance # 29-16 and moved to approve Ordinance # 29-16.
Second:	Councilman Lauritsen.
Outcome:	Councilwoman Robbins, Councilman Davis, Holmes, Lauritsen, Shaheen and Thomas voted for approval.
Motion:	Councilwoman Robbins then moved to approve the zoning for said tract to C-2 (General Commercial District).
Second:	Councilman Lauritsen.
Outcome:	Councilwoman Robbins, Councilman Davis, Holmes, Lauritsen, Shaheen and Thomas voted for approval.

Action Item 7	Ordinance # 30-16 – <b>Annexation</b> /101 Solomon Road, 24.24 acres; <b>Zoning Approval</b> – R-AG (Residential Agricultural District).
	Ordinance # 30-16 of the Mayor and Council of the City of Warner Robins, Georgia, annexing property located at 101 Solomon Road, Houston County, Georgia, consisting of all that certain tract or parcel of land situate, lying and being in Land Lot 9 of the Eleventh Land District, Houston County, Georgia, comprising 24.24 acres of land, more or less, per a petition from HOUSTON COUNTY BOARD of COMMISSIONERS; and, a petition for zoning of said tract as R-AG (Residential Agricultural District).
Motion:	Councilman Holmes presented Ordinance # 30-16, moved to waive the second reading of Ordinance # 30-16 and moved to approve Ordinance # 30-16.
Second:	Councilman Thomas.
Outcome:	Councilwoman Robbins, Councilman Davis, Holmes, Lauritsen, Shaheen and Thomas voted for approval.
Motion:	Councilman Holmes then moved to approve the zoning for said tract to R-AG (Residential Agricultural District).
Second:	Councilman Thomas.
Outcome:	Councilwoman Robbins, Councilman Davis, Holmes, Lauritsen, Shaheen and Thomas voted for approval.



Action Item 8	Ordinance # 31-16 – Annexation/Woodard Rd & Old Perry Rd, 114.4 acres; Zoning Approval – R-3 (General Residential District).
	Ordinance # 31-16 of the Mayor and Council of the City of Warner Robins, Georgia, annexing property located at the southwest corner of Woodard Road at Old Perry Road, Houston County, Georgia, consisting of all those tracts or parcels of land situate, lying and being in Land Lots 248 and 249 of the Tenth Land District of Houston County, Georgia, known and designated as Tract 3A, comprising 108.760 acres, and Tract 3B, comprising 5.440 acres, per a petition from ALEXIS INVESTMENTS, LLC; and, a petition for zoning of said tract as R-3 (General Residential District).
Motion:	Councilman Lauritsen presented Ordinance # 31-16, moved to waive the second reading of Ordinance # 31-16 and moved to approve Ordinance # 31-16.
Second:	Councilman Shaheen.
Outcome:	Councilwoman Robbins, Councilman Davis, Holmes, Lauritsen, Shaheen and Thomas voted for approval.
Motion:	Councilman Lauritsen then moved to approve the zoning for said tract to R-3 (General Residential District).
Second:	Councilman Shaheen.
Outcome:	Councilwoman Robbins, Councilman Davis, Holmes, Lauritsen, Shaheen and Thomas voted for approval.

Action Item 9	Home Occupation Permit Approvals.
	<p>The following Home Occupation Permits are recommended for approval by the Planning and Zoning Board:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• LaTonya Houston – 1008 Feagin Mill Road, Apt. #15, cleaning business;</li> <li>• Amanda Starkweather – 119 Alanwood Court, fencing business;</li> <li>• Ralph Sheard – 724 Houston Road, Apt. A, landscape maintenance business;</li> <li>• Carol Lamar – 204 Frances Street, general cleaning business;</li> <li>• Lora Whitehead – 104 Sonja Drive, home childcare business.</li> </ul>
Motion:	Councilman Thomas moved to approve these Home Occupation Permits.
Second:	Councilwoman Robbins.
Outcome:	Councilwoman Robbins, Councilman Davis, Holmes, Lauritsen, Shaheen and Thomas voted for approval.



Action Item 10	Resolution – Employee Promotions.
The following employees are recommended for promotion by their respective departments:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Calvin C. Huggins, III, promoted from Fire Driver Engineer, Job Class #515, Grade 16, Fire Department, to Fire Lieutenant, Job Class #524, Grade 18, Fire Department, to be effective October 24, 2016;</li><li>Brian T. Jones, promoted from Firefighter, Job Class #520, Grade 14, Fire Department, to Fire Driver Engineer, Job Class #515, Grade 16, Fire Department, to be effective October 24, 2016.</li></ul>	
Motion:	Councilman Shaheen moved to approve this resolution.
Second:	Councilwoman Robbins.
Outcome:	Councilwoman Robbins, Councilman Davis, Holmes, Lauritsen, Shaheen and Thomas voted for approval.

Closed Session: City Clerk, William G. Harte, is in possession of the closed session minutes of October 17, 2016 regarding acquisition of real estate.

Citizen Comments: Rita Simmons, David Wilson, Cynthia Malone, Gloria Johnson and Michael Dee addressed the Mayor and Council about various issues, community events and concerns of the community.

Council Comments: Councilman Shaheen commented for the record on the retirement of Lieutenant General Perry L. Wiggins, graduate of Mercer University and Warner Robins High School, and thanked Lt. General Perry for his service to our country.

Adjournment: 6:23 pm.

Next Regular Council Meeting: Monday, November 07, 2016.



William G. Harte  
City Clerk